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THE RING'S DISH IN STATE POLITICS

Even as the time nears for the primaries in El Paso county, there is little excitement for the contests are going to be few. As yet the Republicans have taken no action toward nominating a ticket and "the county ring" is only opposed in a few instances. Those who know, say there will be but one fight and that will be between Florence Hall, present sheriff, and Peyton J. Edwards, "ring candidate" for the same job. Hall is making a fight to hold the job and Hall has a strong lot of friends. Hall has made a good sheriff in the opinion of many people, and his friends who are rallying to his support are asking why he should be turned out merely to please the whims of the men who control the ring patronage. On the other hand, friends of Edwards claim that Hall has left the work to deputies and has not given very much active attention to the office; that Edwards is a young man, learned in the law and will make a better official. Besides, they say Hall has had the job, two terms, and why not rotate? But they are not making any such rotation talk about Park Pittman, county clerk, who got the job just after the Ark settled down on Ararat and has held on ever since, or Henry Kelly, who has held on a few years himself, finding time to look after the county cash between dictating who shall fill the other offices. Regardless of the merits of the case, the shirerality is going to be a real fight. The wool is going to fly. Both Hall and Edwards have lots of friends and it is going to take the final count. In the opinion of the wise ones, to settle the question.

The District Attorneyship.
In the race for the district attorneyship, it is admitted that Joe Nealon—the Joe Folk of El Paso, to recall Jack Cobb's doggers of the famous Nealon-Sweeney campaign—is going to win. W. L. Howe has been in one run and has made as good a record as most predecessors and better than some, but "the ring" leaders wanted to take some of the wind out of the opposition by taking Joe Nealon and assigning him to Howe's place. This was a surprise to many who know the standing of W. H. and R. F. Burgess in the ring council. It was known that the Burgesses supported Howe because he is and many thought he would stay there until the Burgess boys broke with Kelly, Harper & Co., but he didn't. Now it is said that the elder of the two Burgess brothers was set on ousting Hall from the sheriff's office that he agreed to allow Howe to walk the plank, if his brother powers that be in the ring would take Peyton Edwards under the shelter of their political receipts and help him over the rough places. That, then, if so, accounts for the shelving of Howe—if he is shelved, Howe has a lot of friends; he has been here since he came as the Irishman says, and has always been a "jolly good fellow" with lots of people ready to extend the glad hand. Some say he can go back to the United States commissioner if he loses the district attorneyship, but Howe hasn't admitted defeat—and that he will be about as well off back in the old job as prosecuting hey and chief and trying to get a jury that will consider murder as great a crime as stealing a doormat, and convict once in awhile.

The Not Afloat.
Like Alderbrook from O. M. Tally, a railroad man and former saloon keeper, also one time a printer like Albert Elyar, but like is not afraid, like is the king pin of the muchacho of South El Paso and with brother Frank who has gathered the city garbage and made it pay so well that he can now ride in an automobile, and brother-in-law Joe Escalada when Joe is in the right mood politically—he believes he can garner in enough Guatemalans in East El Paso and at Taleta, Socorro and San Elizario, to offset any vote that Tally may poll above the tracks and away down in the south end of the county, even including "the railroad boys."

H. F. Stacy, the ring candidate for justice against E. H. Watson, stands more than 100 to one chance of winning, say those who know how the votes are going to count—or ought to count—for Watson didn't run a winning race two years ago and he had some of the ring men with him, opposition he has them all against him and besides Stacy is popular himself and is an ex-confederate, which counts for a good deal in Texas.

Sop to Union Men.
For constable Domingo Montoya has been plucked by "the ring," not only because he belongs to a lot of Mexican societies and holds office in some of them; not only that, but because he is a union man, and doesn't the ring want to show the unions some favor, even if a little one? Montoya is a cigar maker and belongs to the cigar makers' union. He has lived in El Paso for a long time, a mighty long time not to have gone

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GOAT HERDER HOLDS ROBBERS FOR POLICE

On a charge of assault with intent to rob, men docketed as Magdaleno and Cipriano Lopez, brothers, are held at police station, the arrest having been made by detective George Harold near the smelter Friday morning.

The Lopez brothers are accused of having attacked a Mexican goat herder, who had some money in his possession. The man sold some goats Thursday and the other two saw him get the money.

Early Friday morning a man entered his home with an ax and another stood guard at the rear door with an iron bar, it is charged. The man with the ax demanded the money.

The goat herder stalled about until his wife slipped him a six-shooter wrapped in a cloth. Then he held the two at bay until his wife sent for detective Harold.

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DIAMONDS OF \$1200 VALUE STOLEN

Mrs. Fraser Loses Valuable Jewels From Her Room on Hutton Street.

POLICE HAVE SLIGHT CLUE

Five diamond rings, of a total value of \$1200, were stolen some time Thursday night from the room of Mrs. M. H. Fraser, at 1217 Hutton street, according to information received by city detectives early Friday morning.

C. V. K. Sturges, who also rooms at the same address, made the report. He took an auto load of detectives out to the house, and a thorough investigation of the premises was made. It was found that entrance was made to the house by forcing a back window.

Suspicion points to a Mexican who was employed in carrying several trunks to different rooms about the house Thursday afternoon. The Mexican entered Mrs. Fraser's room. The jewelry was on the dresser.

Save a description of the Mexican, the detectives have no clue as to the thieves.

CHARLTON MAY NOT GO BACK TO ITALY

United States Will Likely Refuse to Grant Extradition.

New York, N. Y., July 8.—A further postponement today of the hearing of Porter Charlton, at Jersey City until August 11 seems to forecast an early ending of the case.

Papers demanding Charlton's extradition.



PORTER CHARLTON.

dition to Italy to stand trial for killing his wife, Mrs. Mary Scott Castle Charlton, at Lake Como, have not been received and unless the state department at Washington takes some action within the next few weeks, Charlton will be discharged from custody.

Should Italy demand Charlton's extradition the state department will reject the demand unless Italy agrees in future to turn over to the United States, Italians who have committed crimes in this country and have then fled to Italy. This, it is understood, Italy declines to do.

WATER SYSTEM IMPAIRED; COSTLY FIRE IN BROWNWOOD

Brownwood, Tex., July 8.—With a break between the pumping station and the city greatly deepening the water pressure, flames raged here this morning, which caused damage estimated at over \$20,000. The fire originated in a small room in the rear of Pacific's meat market. That building was damaged, Neal's hardware store was burned and adjoining buildings were endangered and only saved by heroic work.

**LATE CHIEF JUSTICE
BURIED AT CHICAGO.**

Chicago, Ill., July 8.—The last rites over the body of the late chief justice Melville W. Fuller were performed here today. Interment was at Graceland in a grave beside that of his wife.

KANSAS ARE FIRM.

Citizens, business men and city officials have started a movement in Wichita Falls, Kas., to prevent the fight pictures being exhibited in that city. Wichita was the first city to forbid the exhibition of the Dalton pictures, reproducing scenes at the famous Coffeyville, Kas., bank robbery.

Mayor Investigates.

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Epworth League Protests.

A protest against the moving pictures was made in a resolution adopted at a meeting of the board of control of the Epworth League of the Methodist church of Boston. The resolution calls on public officers everywhere "To forbid the production of moving pictures tending to destroy the morals of the American people."

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NEW YORK TO ENTERTAIN JACK JOHNSON

Negro Champion to Be Given Great Demonstration with Two Brass Bands.

FIGHT ON FILMS IS STILL WAGED

New York, July 8.—The negroes of the "black belt" of New York are planning a big reception for Jack Johnson when he arrives Monday. Permits will be applied for today for a parade of 100 automobiles from grand central station across town and down Eighth avenue. The fight champion will lead the procession while two brass bands will enliven the line of march.

Banquet for Johnson.

Chicago, Ill., July 8.—Jack Johnson is to attend a banquet tonight given by the negroes. His house has been surrounded all day by crowds of blacks.

Not Hunting a Fight.

"Sam Langford," exclaimed Johnson, to a question, "You make me laugh. I am not running now, looking for fights. Let Langford put up his \$20,000 first, then he can talk. Just now I am going to rest. I am going to New York Sunday afternoon to begin a thirty weeks' vaudeville tour. At least I have that many at my disposal. If it looks like a good thing, I may accept offers to go to Europe."

"Quit! Well, I'll tell you, sonny, I never told any one I would quit, but it looks as though I'd have to, doesn't it?"

Johnson's New Auto.

Jack's new automobile can "go some," too. It went 71 miles an hour for a while till it was slowed down by a park policeman.

"Here goes the profits," laughed Jack, but the policeman grasped the champion's hand and clouted him on the back.

Leaning over he whispered: "Don't tell anyone you old war horse, but I won \$20 on you."

"Good," answered Johnson, and another whizz and cloud of dust later revealed him at a certain corner, "up south," where one may acquire liquid refreshments after a dusty ride.

"Did you hear about the picture men troubles?" Johnson was asked.

"Yes," he answered, "but it doesn't bother me. They all told me I was a fool to sell for \$50,000, but they thought I could not whip Jeffries, too."

His future plans, he says, can be outlined only generally and this is how he generalized them:

Sleep some; eat much; and drive his race. It remains to be seen whether the thousands of negroes who choked the street in front of his Wabash avenue home for hours and kissed and patted his automobile when they couldn't reach him, will allow him to dispose of himself thus easily.

As to the fight, he has adopted a new answer to inquirers. It is a nod, a knowing wink and a smile of deprecation and gold teeth.

England Objects.

The movement in favor of government action looking to the suppression of the pictures is extending to a considerable section of the house of commons in England. Both parties support the movement.

Some of the morning papers advocate a general suppression as tending to prevent glutton fights. They say, are promoted merely for the sake of the profits from the pictures. The question was discussed by the Glasgow corporation yesterday.

Sir Rowland Davies has given notice of his intention to ask the home secretary in the house of commons, "In the interest of public decency," to prohibit the exhibition of the pictures.

The clergymen of New South Wales have sent a petition to Andrew Fisher, the premier of Australia, asking him to prevent the introduction into the commonwealth of the fight pictures.

A similar movement is afoot in New Zealand.

Mexico Welcomes Pictures.

Mexico City will welcome the moving pictures. Governor Landa Escandon, of the federal district, says that he will not attempt to put the fight films under his jurisdiction, but on the other hand would like to have them exhibited here.

"Happily," he said, "we have no negroes here."

Africa's Objection.

All the Johannesburg newspapers demand the suppression of the moving pictures in South Africa. It is believed the town council of Johannesburg intends to forbid the exhibition as detrimental to public peace, and other towns are likely to follow this action.

Pittsburg to Act.

Following a mass meeting of ministers, religious societies and civic bodies, which formulated a petition to mayor Magee, urging the suppression of the fight pictures in Pittsburg, the mayor said: "If it appears at the time that such an exhibition would incite a breach of the peace, the showing of the pictures will be stopped."

Ministers Busy.

The Tide-Water Virginia Interdenominational Ministerial union has adopted resolutions calling on the authorities in Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News, Hampton, Phoebus and other places to suppress the fight pictures.

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WOMAN FALLS IN AEROPLANE; SKULL CRUSHED



AN AVIATION WEEK AT BETHENY.
FROM THE EUROPEAN EDITION OF THE N.Y. HERALD.

FIGHTERS BRIBED BY MONEY AND SEALSKIN SACK RICKARD FOR FIGHT

San Francisco, Cal., July 8.—Tex Rickard has given some inside facts about the deal by which he secured the Jeffries-Johnson fight two days before the bids were opened.

"I offered Johnson a bonus of \$10,000," said Rickard, "and I told his wife I would buy her a seal skin coat if her husband would sign. The champion accepted and, in addition I had to loan him \$2500 when the articles were signed."

"Most of the negotiations with Jeffries were worked through Berger. Berger told me he had promised Gleson the fight and said, 'You can't get the fight without Gleson.' That was why I took Gleson into the combine. My contract with Gleson called for me to furnish all the money while he was to have half the profits."

It is stated on the best of authority that Berger also received a bonus of \$2500.

RIGID MEAT INSPECTION

The city health department has been having trouble with the butchers, who have been killing stock outside of the city without having an inspection made of the cattle before and after the killing. Dr. W. H. Anderson ordered the inspectors to pour coal oil on an animal that was brought in from the valley Friday morning which had been killed without being inspected. Other meat will be similarly treated where the inspection is not made by the health department.

TAKES POISON; ENDS HIS LIFE

A Coachman Swallows Two Kinds of Poison and Leaves a Curse.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 8.—To whom it may concern:

"This is plain suicide. I shall take either strychnine or chloroform, therefore an autopsy is not necessary. Bury me as I am. My curse shall follow the doctor who uses my body for any purpose whatsoever."

"Paul Mullenoux."

After penning the above, the hired man of John Carso, of Alhambra, evidently decided to make death certain, as he took both poisons.

The man is said to have a sister in a convent at Albuquerque, N. M.

TEXAS CENTRAL WILL NOT EXTEND

New York, N. Y., July 8.—Information from a reliable source here this morning is that the Texas Central road will not be extended in the near future. The directors of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas which recently purchased the line through an option held by Baker, have not so much as authorized a survey of an extension, although Baker recommended it.

No definite steps will be taken by the Hawley interests in regard to the line until the legal formalities touching the Katy securities are completed. It has been understood in financial circles here for some time that the Texas Central expected to build an extension of 200 miles. It is now considered likely in view of the attitude of Hawley, that the Katy will wait until the year elapses before expending the money.

**WILL EDDIE GREEN
QUIT THE STATE?**

New York, July 8.—Col. Edward H. R. Green, son of Hetty Green, has been made a director of the Federal National bank here. This is taken in some measure as confirming the reports that Col. Green is to quit Texas to make his home in New York in order to give his attention to his mother's interests.

**HEAVY RAIN PUTS
OUT FOREST FIRES.**

Calumet, Mich., July 8.—A heavy rain here last night broke the prolonged drought and extinguished the forest fires in numerous parts of this district. One of these fires raged for five miles along the shore of Lake Superior, west of the village of Ontonagon.

MORE CENSUS FIGURES.

Washington, D. C., July 8.—Population 12th census, Texas counties: Runnels, 20,858; Karnes, 14,942.

Gets Confused in the Air and Tumbles Fifty Meters in a Heap.

Bethany Plains, Rhinels, France, July 8.—Baroness de La Roche, the first French woman aeroplanist, was fatally injured here this afternoon by falling from a height of 50 meters.

The baroness had flown around the field once at a height of 50 meters, when suddenly in front of the applauding throngs, she appeared to become frightened and confused at the approach of two other aeroplanes. She started to descend but at a height of 50 meters, lost control of the machine, which turned over and fell like a log.

The baroness's legs and arms were broken and her skull fractured. She was removed to a hospital in a dying condition.

This is the second fatal accident at this meeting, Wachter having been killed last Friday.

The doctors after a careful examination declared that the baroness's skull was not fractured and that she might live.

Olliegeer, the Belgian, broke the record for a 150 kilometers tour, covering the distance in one hour, 53 minutes and 20 seconds.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH BY COAL OIL

San Antonio, Texas, July 8.—Miss Josephine Kemp, aged 45, died this morning as a result of burns received when kerosene exploded while she was preparing a meal last evening at her home here. Building the fire the woman poured oil over the live coals and an explosion followed, enveloping her in flames. She leaped through a rear window into the back yard, screaming and the wind fanned the flames, which caused terrible burns about her body.

**THE PHOENIX ELK TRAIN
SMASHES RUNNING RECORD.**

Dalhart, Tex., July 8.—The Elk special from Phoenix, Ariz., to Detroit, Mich., over the Rock Island road, passed through Dalhart at 4 a. m. It was met by Dalhart Elks and the train decorated properly.

The speed record was smashed on the El Paso division. The veteran engineer, Jack Chandler, covered a single stretch of straight track east of Dalhart, 66 miles, in 60 minutes.

Everyone on the train is jubilant and a big time is promised.

Kansas City will be reached early this evening.

**RAIN AND COLD HURT
FRENCH GRAPE CROP.**

Paris, France, July 8.—Continuous cold and wet weather in France is beginning to cause serious alarm. There has been a daily rain for six weeks; many streams are out of their banks, grape crop is suffering heavily and mildew has made its appearance in the damp district.

The loss in the champagne district is officially estimated at \$5,000,000.

**BIG COPPER STOCK
ON HAND AT PRESENT.**

New York, July 8.—Copper stocks on hand increased 7,360,000 pounds compared with June first, according to the monthly statement of the Copper Producers' association. Stocks on hand July 1 were 1,168,356,917 pounds.

LEGISLATIVE CORRUPTION.

New York, July 8.—The joint legislative committee appointed to investigate the charges of legislative corruption in New York state effected organization today and adjourned to July 26 to take up the work. Edwin A. Merritt, the majority leader of the assembly, was elected chairman.

**NEGRO ATTACKED BY
WHITE MEN, WHIPS THEM**

Jeffries-Johnson Fight Duplicated at Silver City When Negro Boxer Is Assaulted.

Silver City, N. M., July 8.—Silver City's prize negro boxer, Wm. McNeal, who has given a number of boxing exhibitions the past few months, was called upon here following the Jeffries-Johnson fight, to make a fight of his own. A number of Jeffries's admirers, and possibly losers, attacked McNeal and quickly landed some knockout blows. McNeal and one of his principal assailants were arrested.

**SLEEPING RATES WILL
NOT YET BE CUT.**

Chicago, Ill., July 8.—By an order of the United States circuit court of appeals here today, the reduced sleeping car rates ordered by the interstate commerce commission cannot go into effect for several months. Judges Seaman, Grosscup and Baker granted a stay of an order, pending a rehearing by the commission as to the justice of its mandate.

ARRESTS TOTAL CLOSE TO A DOZEN

El Paso Officials Secure Information That Leads to Captures in Many Cities.

ONE OF A BAND MAKES CONFESSION

Two Women Among Number Arrested—Biggest Band Ever Operating in West.

Through information gathered here by customs inspectors and special agents Burton Parker and L. J. Ayres, the largest bunch of alleged opium smugglers ever arrested and accused of operating together as a band, has recently been taken into custody in many different parts of the United States. The last arrest of importance on the information furnished by El Paso officers was made at Atlantic City Wednesday, when the two Wong brothers were arrested and \$2000 worth of contraband opium seized.

Beginning with the arrest of Olin, alias Snake Pool, and a number of smaller fry back several months ago, the officers of the El Paso custom house and special agent's office have been working every day on evidence. Recently a prisoner confessed and gave information sufficient to confirm all that the officials had suspected. The arrests were at once made in El Paso, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Atlantic City and Atlanta, Ga.

The man who made the confession is J. C. Hall, alias J. C. Hamilton, alias Paul Hall, alias Paul Herman, alias Paul Cohn. He had been making frequent trips between El Paso and the Pacific coast, according to the officers, and they arrested him on the charge of smuggling opium, after securing some pretty strong evidence. He made a statement confirming many of their suspicions and giving them pointers on how to locate some of the people they were after, including C. B. Stevenson, alias Moore, alias Burnett, who worked around the Juarez race track last winter and is accused by the federal officials of having operated a contraband opium business on a large scale in San Francisco. Stevenson was arrested in El Paso. A man alleged to be connected with his business in San Francisco was also arrested.

The Arrests.

The entire list of arrests that followed the confirmation of the officers' suspicions, included:

Frank Welch, Los Angeles.

Ethel Jackson, El Paso.

C. B. Stevenson, alias Elijah Moore, alias C. B. Burnett, El Paso.

R. S. Flynn, San Francisco.

C. R. Young, San Francisco.

Thillie Hall, San Francisco.

C. Chisholm, Atlanta, Ga.

Charles and Jim Wong, Atlantic City.

The latter two were the last arrested and are the last of the larger offenders suspected by the government officials here. With their arrest culminates one of the biggest jobs of detective work ever performed on the Mexican border and ends the largest number of arrests made in connection with the same offense against the customs laws, on the Mexican border.

Smuggling May Be Stopped.

The officials have for a number of months been making smaller arrests, but they had been able to get to "the men higher up." They claim to have done so in these cases and, with the arrests made independently in California by California federal officials, El Paso officers believe that opium smuggling on a large scale has been dealt a blow that will hold it in subjection for a long time to come.

Flynn and Jim Hall woman were arrested in San Francisco on information received here by the officers that two shipments of opium had been made to the two people in question from El Paso. Officers were at once wired and they were taken into custody when the packages were delivered.

Stevenson was located in El Paso and arrested here.

Flynn, said to be in the employ of Stevenson, was arrested in San Francisco at 1937 Stockton street. Young was arrested at the Palm house. Both have been indicted by the federal grand jury since their arrest, according to the federal officers. Thillie Hall was arrested at the Plaza hotel in San Francisco.

Flynn was said to have been Stevenson's manager in the distribution of the opium in San Francisco.

How Two Were Caught.

Ethel Jackson was arrested in El Paso after she had placed an express package in the local office the day Frank Welch left here for California. She denied at first that it was opium, but the officers ascertained that it was

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BERNARD RODEY GOES TO CHILLY NORTH FOR A JOB TO ALASKA THIS TIME

Washington, D. C., July 8.—President Taft has appointed Bernard S. Rodey, of Albuquerque, N. M., United States attorney at Nome, Alaska, vice George B. Grigsby, removed.

It was said at the department of justice that certain charges were preferred against Mr. Grigsby, which he did not explain satisfactorily to the attorney general.

Mr. Rodey was until recently judge of the United States court of Porto Rico, and prior to that, delegate to congress from New Mexico.